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SUBJECT: RSS DISCUSSION WITH OSCAR ARMSTRONG ON CARRYING OF WEAPON

REF: PEKING 2441

1. ARMSTRONG AND RSS HAD OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS SEVERAL MATTERS RELATING TO THE SECURITY GUARDS IN PEKING. WHILE THE RSS DOES NOT HAVE AN IN-DEPTH APPRECIATION FOR THE SITUATION IN PEKING, A MUTUALLY AGREEABLE ARRANGEMENT WAS REACHED ON THE SUBJECT OF CARRYING OF SIDE ARMS.

2. THE SECURITY GUARDS MAY CARRY HOLSTERED SIDE ARMS DURING NON-BUSINESS HOURS BUT SHOULD NOT HAVE SIDE ARMS EXPOSED NOR CARRIED ON PERSON DURING THOSE PERIODS THAT MISSION IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. THERE IS NO OBJECTION TO THE WEAPON BEING IN A READILY ACCESSIBLE PLACE AT GUARD POST BUT OUT OF SIGHT DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS.

3. IF THERE ARE FURTHER RAMIFICATIONS TO THIS ARRANGEMENT, THE RSS EXPECTS TO TRAVEL TO PEKING LATE FEBRUARY OR EARLY MARCH FOR DISCUSSION ON THIS MATTER AND OTHER SUBJECTS.

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